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REMARKS

Applicants acknowledge receipt of the *Office Action* dated September 26, 2007 wherein: (1) claims 71, 73, 74, 82 to 87, 91 to 94 and 97 to 103 were allowed, and (2) claims 104 and 105 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a). In response, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment submitted herein to cancel rejected claims 104 and 105, and reconsideration of the presently claimed application in view of the following remarks.

Status of Claims

Claims 71, 73, 74, 82 to 87, 91 to 94 and 97 to 103 were previously presented.

Claims 104 and 105 are currently canceled.

Claims 1-70, 72, 75 to 81, 88 to 90, 95 and 96 were previously canceled.

Thus, claims 71, 73, 74, 82 to 87, 91 to 94 and 97 to 103 are currently pending.

Allowed Subject Matter

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of claims 71, 73, 74, 82 to 87, 91 to 94 and 97 to 103.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103(a)

Claims 104 and 105 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 7,023,913 to Monroe (hereinafter *Monroe*) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,271,752 to Vaios (hereinafter *Vaios*). Although Applicants respectfully disagree that the combination of *Monroe* and *Vaios* renders claims 104 and 105 obvious, in the interest of furthering prosecution, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment submitted herein to cancel claims 104 and 105 and thereby address and resolve the only remaining rejection. Applicants submit that this amendment places the application in condition for allowance since all of the other pending claims 71, 73, 74, 82 to 87, 91 to 94 and 97 to 103 have been allowed. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request issuance of a *Notice of Allowance*.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request entry

of the claim amendments, reconsideration of the application, and issuance of a Notice of

Allowance. No new matter has been added by the amendments. It is believed that each ground

of rejection raised in the Office Action dated September 26, 2007 has been fully addressed. If

any fee is due as a result of the filing of this paper, please appropriately charge such fee to

Deposit Account Number 50-1515 of Conley Rose, P.C., Dallas, Texas. If a petition for

extension of time is necessary in order for this paper to be deemed timely filed, please consider

this a petition therefore.

If a telephone conference would facilitate the resolution of any issue or expedite the

prosecution of the application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the

telephone number given below.

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